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In re the Application of:

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CONFIRMATION CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Honorable Commissioner of
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of the following foreign applications filed in the following foreign country and priority provided in the 35 USC §119 have been claimed for the above-identified application:

South African Patent Application No. 98/11257, filed December 9, 1998.

Copies of the certified copies of the priority document were received in the national stage application from the International Bureau and acknowledged by the Patent Office in the Office Action mailed January 14, 2003, in the parent application.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 USC §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of these papers.

Respectfully submitted,



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